

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

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To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Today I am filing for your consideration "An Act Modifying Nursing Facility Rate Reviews."

The Office of Medicaid currently conducts nursing facility rate review on an annual basis. Under this legislation, such reviews will take place on a biennial basis. This change will result in significant savings to the Commonwealth.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this recommendation.

Mitt Romney Governor



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND FIVE

AN ACT TO MODIFY NURSING FACILITY RATE REVIEWS

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 7 of chapter 118G of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in line 2, the word "annually" and inserting in place thereof the following:- biennially.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect immediately.